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Speaker Chris Sprowls Appoints House Members Thad Altman, Wyman Duggan to the Florida Defense Support Task Force

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (Nov. 20, 2020) -- Speaker of the Florida House of Representatives Chris Sprowls, R-Palm Harbor, this week reappointed Representative Thad Altman as Chairman and appointed Wyman Duggan as member of the [Florida Defense Support Task Force](#).

Rep. Altman, a Republican from Indialantic, represents District 52, which includes Patrick Air Force Base. Speaker Sprowls reappointed Rep. Altman to his position as Chairman of the Task Force on Wednesday. Rep. Altman is the member with the longest consecutive years of service in the Florida Legislature and has co-sponsored numerous military- and veteran-friendly bills. Rep. Altman first served in the Florida House of Representatives from 2003 to 2008, in the Florida Senate from 2008 to 2016, and then was elected to the Florida House of Representatives again in 2016, 2018 and on Nov. 4, 2020.

Rep. Duggan, a Republican from Jacksonville, represents District 15, which includes the Naval Air Station Jacksonville. On Wednesday, Speaker Sprowls appointed him a member of the Florida Defense Support Task Force. Rep. Duggan served in the United States Marine Corps Reserve from 1993 to 1995. He is an attorney by trade and the former Chairman of the Jacksonville Charter Revision Commission. He earned his law degree from The College of William & Mary, and he is a graduate of the U.S. Marine Corps Officer Candidate School. Rep. Duggan was elected to the Florida House of Representatives in 2018 and re-elected on Nov. 4.

The Florida Defense Support Task Force preserves, protects, and enhances Florida's military missions and installations. The council works with Florida's Base Commanders, helps improve transportation access to Florida's military installations, and works to strengthen state support for military families and veterans, and more.

The term on the task force for House Members corresponds with their legislative term and will end on Election Day 2022.

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